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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicant in the above-identified application hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to and including April 5, 2004 (April 3 being a Saturday) for responding to the Office Action mailed December 3, 2003. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

[X] A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith.

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